

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Henry Oliver Anderson was born on August 16, 1898, northwest of Toronto, South Dakota, to John and Bertha Anderson; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Henry married Julia Iola Wold in 1942, giving life and love to three children: JoEllen (Jerry), James and Jean who presented them with 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, On the farm, Henry cared for milk cows, sheep, chickens, ducks, and loved growing potatoes, much to the pleasure of the best Lutheran lefse makers in Toronto where Henry was been a faithful member of the Blom Prairie Lutheran Church most of his life; and,

*Whereas*, Henry also worked for other farmers doing their threshing and machinery repair, and enjoyed fur trapping until his retirement from farm life and moved into town, Toronto, in 1967, where he and Julia enjoyed indoor plumbing and electricity in their home for the first time, and Henry soon became very fond of television viewing; and,

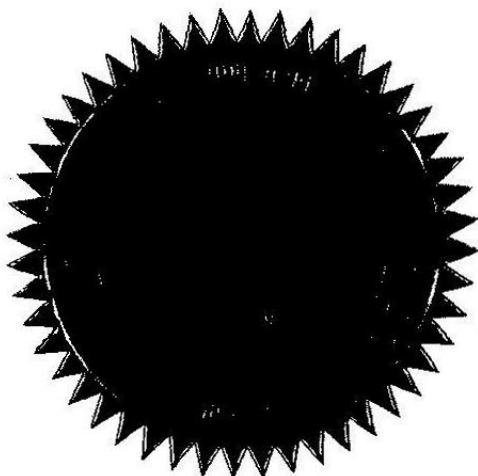
*Whereas*, Henry started a garbage service in Toronto using his 1939 Dodge pickup and later a Chevrolet, tirelessly serving the community in all kinds of weather and earning much less than the value of his service deserved; and,

*Whereas*, Henry has resided at the White Care Center since 1992, and will observe his 105<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 16, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all his friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State